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Insofar as the Commission's proposal to reduce the frequency of six other reporting requirements, ALLTEL's direct concern relates to the proposed change in the frequency of filing the interstate access earnings monitoring report, FCC Form 492, from a quarterly to an annual basis. ALLTEL supports the Commission's proposal to require the filing of this report on an annual basis rather than on a quarterly basis. However, ALLTEL believes that the text of the Commission's proposed rule change needs to be further revised to reflect the Commission's intent

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that rate of return monitoring reports will only be due on an annual basis.

Under the changes proposed by the Commission and the text that will continue to remain in Section 65.600(b), it appears that reference to "quarterly" reports will continue to exist in some places and that the substitution of "after the end of each calendar half year" will not reflect the Commission's intent that rate of return reports be filed on an annual basis. Thus, ALLTEL believes that the word "annual" should be substituted for the word "quarterly" in Section 65.600(b).

ALLTEL believes that the proposed change in reporting requirements is a positive first step. However, ALLTEL believes that it will not remedy the current lack of linkage between the two year rate of return monitoring period (which runs from January 1st in odd-numbered years and ends on December 31 in even-numbered years) and the period covered by the annual access tariff filings of rate of return companies, such as ALLTEL, which runs from July 1st to June 30th. Thus, in order for this linkage to exist, ALLTEL believes the Commission should consider revising the annual access tariff filing period to coincide with the time period covered by the interstate rate of return monitoring reports.

In summary, ALLTEL supports the Commission's proposals set forth in the NPRM, together with the revisions or modifications proposed herein, and commends the Commission's responsiveness in addressing rule revisions which will result in regulatory streamlining and reform.

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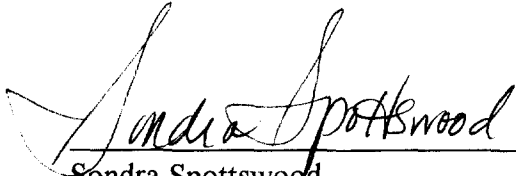
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